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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

AN ACT

To prohibit the sale and counterfeiting of Presidential
inaugural tickets.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. PROHIBITION ON SALE AND COUNTERFEITING**
2 **OF INAUGURAL TICKETS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 25 of title 18, United
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing:

6 **“§ 515. Prohibition on sale and counterfeiting of inau-**
7 **gural tickets**

8 “(a) IN GENERAL.—It shall be unlawful for any per-
9 son to—

10 “(1) except as provided in subsection (b), know-
11 ingly and willfully sell for money or property, or fa-
12 cilitate the sale for money or property of, a ticket to
13 a Presidential inaugural ceremony;

14 “(2) with the intent to defraud, falsely make,
15 forge, counterfeit, or falsely alter a ticket to a Presi-
16 dential inaugural ceremony; or

17 “(3) with the intent to defraud, use, unlawfully
18 possess, or exhibit a ticket to a Presidential inau-
19 gural ceremony, knowing the ticket to be falsely
20 made, forged, counterfeited, or falsely altered.

21 “(b) EXCEPTION.—This section shall not apply to the
22 sale for money or property, facilitation of such a sale, or
23 attempt of such a sale, of a ticket to a Presidential inau-
24 gural ceremony—

1 “(1) that occurs after the date on which the
2 Presidential inaugural ceremony for which the ticket
3 was issued occurs; or

4 “(2) by an official presidential inaugural com-
5 mittee established on behalf of a President-elect of
6 the United States.

7 “(c) PENALTY.—Whoever violates subsection (a)
8 shall be fined under this title, imprisoned not more than
9 1 year, or both.

10 “(d) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘Presi-
11 dential inaugural ceremony’ means a public inaugural
12 ceremony at which the President-elect or the Vice Presi-
13 dent-elect take the oath or affirmation of office for the
14 office of President of the United States or the office of
15 Vice President of the United States, respectively.”.

16 (b) AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER ANALYSIS.—The
17 chapter analysis for chapter 25 of title 18, United States
18 Code, is amended by inserting at the end the following:

“515. Prohibition on sale and counterfeiting of inaugural tickets.”.

Passed the Senate January 13, 2009.

Attest:

NANCY ERICKSON,

Secretary.